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May 6, 1983

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator:

Thank you so very much for your prompt reply to my letter of April 29. With the extra effort you made on the 1982 Act, I was sure you will approach this matter with the utmost sympathy and have not been disappointed. Since my letter, however, I have received the attached letter from Chairman Boland of the House Committee which indicates that despite his sympathy, his judgment is that the matter cannot be the subject of early legislation. I have responded with the attached reply in which I indicate my full understanding and respect for his judgment and my hope that the situation may be more propitious for action on the matter sometime in the future. I know that you will be sympathetic at such a time, but I gather that this year is not a feasible time.

Again, many thanks for all of your assistance and your exceptionally effective work on behalf of the intelligence community. We are indeed fortunate to have a Senator of your capacity and integrity concerned about the intelligence community, as well as the welfare of the nation as a whole.

Sincerely,

s/ Bill
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Mr. William E. Colby



Dear Bill:

I have received your letter of April 27 regarding extension of pension and survivorship benefits to certain former spouses of CIA officers, who did not become entitled to such benefits under the 1982 CIA Spouses Retirement Equity Act due to the effective date of the provisions of that Act. My staff on the Select Committee on Intelligence will cooperate in examining this matter for the Committee, and in responding to any proposal received from the House side during the course of the intelligence authorization process.

Thank you for your kind words concerning my participation in this small but significant reform adopted by the Congress. Your continued interest in and efforts on behalf of the humanitarian concerns raised by service in the intelligence community, especially in a clandestine capacity, are indeed commendable.

Aloha,

DANIEL K. INOUE
United States Senator

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